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VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE  
UNITED STATES  
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## AMERICAN COWARDICE.

America can only boast of her bravery when she is dealing with her own subjects, namely the colored Americans especially. The Japanese question was one of color, pure and simple, and it was a back-down for this republic because the Japanese had a government at their back. It was a cowardly back-down. The American government, with an alleged powerful army and navy, demonstrated that it had no desire to confront the Japanese government. Japan demanded satisfaction, and received it. The colored Americans, who have been loyal and are today, are ignored and discriminated against, and treated with secondary consideration, while every foreigner and foreign governments and their subjects are all treated most kindly.

The colored Americans are forever ready to respond to the call to protect their country, and are the first to be ignored and mistreated. Will this republic ever treat the colored Americans as they should be treated? Must he continue to be the willing slave and humiliated servant to appease the prejudices of Southern oligarchy? The present administration represents an element of the Republican party that is more inimical to the colored man than Southern Democrats. President Roosevelt is no friend of the colored Americans. He never was and he never can or will be. He has made an effort to play "tweedle dee and tweedle dum" in politics. It was a question of color in California, but the Japanese would not stand for it. Powerful as Russia is, Japan compelled her to feel her power. The Bee is confident that the United States will not enter a contest with a nation like the Japanese or any other nation that has power behind her like Japan. Japan may not have what the Americans boast of, but it has a civilization sufficiently intelligent to protect her subjects against American prejudice and oppression.

The colored Americans have been loyal and patriotic. They have never been guilty of treason, notwithstanding their oppression. The colored Americans have been obedient to the laws of their country, and faithful to those who once enslaved them. Japan saw that her subjects were being discriminated against on account of their nationality. She had sufficient force in her own country to put troops upon American possessions under some pretext, ready at any moment to strike.

The colored Americans can never demand until they have power like Japan. Will the colored American be needed in the next conflict?

The Bee thinks that they will be. It will be a conflict in which the colored soldiers shall win laurels.

## THE DOCTRINE OF SURRENDER

The Chicago Conservator again begs the question. In a one-column editorial it makes reply to The Bee article of surrender and concludes that Mr. Washington must have surrendered the manhood rights of the colored American by teaching them trades. If The Bee did not know the distinguished editor of the Conservator it would say that he was fishing for an invitation to attend one of the social functions at Tuskegee. Editor Wilkins, who is talking at long range, generally remains where he is and speaks his mind. Now, if he is really sincere and means what he says, why does he remain so far away from Tuskegee, Ala., and advocate manhood rights of the colored Americans? Why doesn't he make a tour of the South, where the hearts of the colored Americans are bleeding for such advice that he is in giving in the West? Why doesn't he instill in the brains of the colored Americans of Chicago the necessity of united action? He now complains of a division of the colored man in Chicago, Ill. He asks the question, How do they expect to succeed if they remain divided? Does not the able Editor of the Conservator see the necessity of repairing the forces at his own home instead of reaching all the way to Tuskegee? Now, Editor Wilkins, what do you mean? The Bee would like to know if he is in need of colored mechanics. Are there none in the city of Chicago? The last time the Editor of The Bee was in Chicago the colored Americans were slinging hash while the white men were doing the bossing. Have you carpenters, builders, architects and colored manufacturers in Chicago. Editor Wilkins? If you haven't you must admit that your alleged doctrine of surrender is an absolute necessity, and that Tuskegee is supplying the necessary needs. Why should we have so many lawyers without clients and doctors without patients? Without property interest we would have no need for civil lawyers; without land of our own we must be dependent upon the white man; without money we continue to be the servants and slaves of those you claim the colored Americans have surrendered their manhood rights and today hundreds of colored editors depend upon white printers. As evidence of Editor Wilkins' dependence upon those to whom he claims Mr. Washington has surrendered the manhood rights of the colored Americans, The Bee respectfully asks its most noble potentate to read the second, sixth and seventh pages of his paper, and then look in a glass at himself, and ask these questions: Are those mine? Are they my productions? Are they the productions of a white man or a negro?

Would it not be well for Editor Wilkins to consider his condition first before he repudiates his alleged doctrine of surrender? Editor Wilkins depends upon the white man for the present existence of his great paper, which he cannot deny. When the colored Americans are in possession of those things which make nations great and powerful, he can well argue material independence. The Bee does not believe in sycophants, apologists and trimmers, and it is confident that the great editor of the Conservator is likewise opposed to them. While the Editor of the Conservator remains in Chicago he will be able to oppose the doctrine of surrender, and it is not necessary for him to lose any sleep or fall out with those who may differ with his policy.

## REV. CORROTHERS.

We publish the communication of Rev. S. L. Corrothers because we have from time to time severely criticised him on account of his attitude toward the public school system of the District of Columbia, and we deem it no more than just and proper to allow him to relieve

himself of his surplus oratory. Dr. Corrothers is wrong on the school question. He should know that there are members of the School Board who are deeply interested in the success of the schools, and, so far as the colored people are concerned, they are not opposed to them.

Rev. Corrothers may believe that Admiral Baird, Captain Oyster, Mr. Cox, Evermann and others are opposed to the colored people. The Bee knows that the colored people have no better friends on the School Board. Admiral Baird may be a little harsh at times, but there is not a more honest man on the Board than he is. The Bee knows well the record of Captain Oyster and Mr. Cox. Captain Oyster believes in the colored people, because his many charitable and liberal acts toward them speak for him.

Dr. Corrothers complains of discrimination on the part of the Superintendent. We don't care what other people think of Dr. Chancellor. The Bee knows him to be a whole-souled man. Honest to a fault. He is frank and fully able to defend himself against attacks. Mrs. Terrell, everyone knows, is a woman of brains. She has womanly principles, and is able to defend herself and her position on the School Board. Dr. Atwood wants a good school system. He has worked hard to place the colored schools upon a working basis. The Bee wants to say to Dr. Corrothers that he is all wrong on the school question.

## WHY DISCRIMINATE?

In the Police Court last Tuesday morning Mr. Campbell Carlington defended a proprietor of a wholesale whiskey establishment, charged with having dispensed whiskey on Sunday. The astute and able attorney so conducted his case that the prosecuting attorney, Mr. James L. Pugh, abandoned it before the defense had finished, and asked that the two prosecuting witnesses, colored, be arrested and placed in the dock and charged with perjury. This was done, but the white officer who brought the case to court was not even reprimanded but was relieved from all blame. The Bee does not know why this was done, nor does it question the motives of the prosecuting attorney, but it would be pleased to know why the two colored men were arrested and charged with perjury and white officer allowed to go free. Is this fair to all parties? Ought not the case be fully investigated and all the facts be brought out and then place the responsibility where it belongs?

The Bee dislikes an informer or a pimp, no matter what the offense is, so that it is not such an offense that will injure a person's body. Informers are dangerous to any community. Information furnished in good faith and for the public good is to be commended, but a person who, for meanness or for twenty-five cents attempted to injure a person and his business should be punished.

The Bee does not know the merits of the case referred to, but it seems that all hands connected with the case, if it be one of perjury, should have been placed under arrest. The Bee would like to know why was this act of discrimination made in this case? Will Mr. Pugh explain.

## THE CARDOZA CASE.

The Bee as well as the people agree with the Board of Education that there should be no further delay in the Cardoza case. These dilatory tactics should not be tolerated because the schools are being embarrassed. If, as Professor Montgomery has stated, Mr. Cardoza is not inclined to respect his authority as assistant superintendent he should be investigated and removed. The Board of Education is entitled to respect and the authority of the School Board should be enforced, no matter who may be affected. Admiral Baird, the president of the Board of Education, and Captain Oyster, who have taken prominent part in the discussion of the Cardoza case, have been honest

and fair. All that Mr. Cardoza had to do was to prove his innocence, and The Bee is confident that no two men would have been more pleased to acquit him.

Now, what is the situation? Thus far evidence has been established tending to show that a scurrilous letter had been sent to the Washington Times. Witnesses have testified that the letter in question resembles the handwriting of Mr. Cardoza. If he did not write the letter, why did he not meet the charge? Why should he attack the validity of the Board of Education?

The Bee said at the time he appealed to the courts that it was a play for more time.

The Board of Education is determined to investigate the charges, and the attorneys for the defense might as well meet the issue and cease these dilatory tactics, and if Mr. Cardoza's guilt is not established The Bee knows that the Board will say so; but if the evidence establishes his guilt he will be removed. Professor Montgomery has been imposed upon by outsiders. He is conscientious in his work, and will no doubt improve the condition of the colored schools if he is permitted to do so. There is every reason to believe that he and Superintendent Chancellor are working in harmony for the best interest of the public school system.

It is argued by some that it is necessary to have a full board present. President Baird is correct in his ruling, and the courts will sustain him, that a quorum or a majority of the members present is sufficient to try Cardoza. At that rate, according to the contention made by the defense one member may absent himself and Cardoza could never be tried.

Suppose the defense were to influence one member of the Board to absent himself, teachers could do as they please and the Board would be powerless to act.

This contention by the defense is too flimsy to consider.

## THE WEBBER BILL.

Congress showed its good sense when it defeated the Webber whiskey bill. If these anti-saloon agitators would spend their energies in protecting the people from heavy taxation and eliminate race prejudice in the Government Departments they would be doing the city a service. The Bee respectfully calls the attention of the anti-saloon agitators to the bill offered by Representative Simms, of Tennessee, and the amendment submitted by the attorneys. Now, here is where the anti-saloon agitators can help those who are opposed to miscegenation and especially the white men who support colored sporting houses set apart for white men. The saloons in this city are not as dangerous, by any means, as these houses.

The morals of the men are corrupted. No man is injured by taking a glass of whiskey. Anti-whiskey agitators are more dangerous to the community than the man who sells whiskey. Whiskey will relieve the brain, as it will destroy the brain if you take too much of it. Bad women will destroy a country and create other disasters. The House showed its good sense.

## REVENGE AFTER DEATH

The pulpit is not without fault. One would suppose that a minister, no matter what his feelings may be, would not permit them to be seen or observed in the pulpit over the remains of the dead. How sad must the occasion be when a minister of the gospel allows his enmity to control his better judgment in the presence of a mourning family? How must the friends, the relatives and the parents feel when a minister rises in the pulpit to preach a funeral service with enmity in his heart? Such has been done, and no doubt very recently in this community. The very first word that he uttered over the body of his dead was, had the person lived in the church death would not have claimed this victim, or words to that effect. Then he tells his congregation that another brother who

had filled his pulpit during his absence from sickness would have been embarrassed. The information of The Bee is that this particular disciple of the Bible knew nothing of the dead except as a faithful and worth Christian. One can imagine the feelings of the dead's parents, friends, and acquaintances. The negro pulpit has a great deal to learn. It is a biblical aphorism, Speak well of the dead.

There are persons in this world too cowardly to speak of the faults of one in life and to his face, but must wait until after death to give vent to their revenge.

## SENATOR FORAKER.

The defense that Hon. J. B. Foraker is making in behalf of the colored soldiers who were discharged from the army by President Roosevelt cannot help from being appreciated by the American people, irrespective of color or condition. If there ever was an honest man in the Senate of the United States it is Senator Foraker. Elsewhere in this paper will be seen an excerpt from the Cleveland (Ohio) Leader concerning Senator Foraker. The Bee is indebted to the Hon. John P. Green, of Ohio, for the Leader containing the excellent article. The investigation of the Brownsville affair, thus far, has vindicated the contention of Senator Foraker and the sensible people in this country. The testimony has been so convincing that fools have been converted.

## THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

The Clipper, the oldest theatrical journal in America, issued its anniversary number, February 2, that being No. 1, volume 55. It is gotten up attractively and artistically, and contains many striking scenes in some of the greatest stage attractions, also the pictures of the "Popular Burlesques." The Meredith Sisters, the Bradfords, the Brittons and Mlle. Dazie, America's most skillful toe dancer, are among the host whose pictures appear. The Prampin Musical Trio is classed as "the most skilled instrumentalists of their race."

## ALL-NIGHT PRAYER MEETING IN MADAGASCAR

From the Mission Herald.  
One of the many powerful witch-doctors among the Betsileo, who has long had great influence in this district, was a bitter enemy to the Christians, trying by all means to belittle their work and to prevent others from joining them.

The Christians of three adjoining villages determined to use against him the only weapon they possessed—prayer, and one afternoon at one o'clock more than thirty of them met together in a village church and literally prayed for that man's conversion until four o'clock next morning!

All through the night they prayed, their one burden being, "Lord, save Kazan Akombiasa!"

"At four o'clock in the early morning," writes Rev. Charles Collins, "they left the church, but not to go home! No, they repaired to the man's house, and preached Jesus to him. God heard their prayers; He answered their petition, and there and then gave them what they asked! On the spot, the man became a Christian, threw away all his charms and divining implements, and with tears in his eyes asked to be named Paoly (Paul)."

He has since been ill, but has been restored in answer to the prayers of the Christians. He himself regarded the illness as sent by Satan to draw him back to his old ways; but he has successfully resisted all temptation.

## GREAT IN MANY WAYS.

From the Cleveland Leader.  
My opinion of Senator Foraker is as follows: He is—

A typical American citizen. Educated in the common schools and an ordinary college in Ohio, he, in his youth, went to the front and fought in the ranks for the integrity of the Union and the glory of our flag.

An able jurist. As a judge of the Supreme Court of Cincinnati his rulings were just, and his decisions were sustained, as a rule, by our Supreme Court.

A wise statesman. While governor of Ohio, under his advice and administration, a large percentage of the debts of the State was paid, the benevolent institutions were humanely and economically managed, and scandals were unknown. Moreover, as a public speaker and Senator he has ever advocated those principles of liberty, finance and tariff which a majority of our voters endorse and which are behind our great tidal wave of prosperity.

A great constitutional lawyer, as proved by his first speech in the Senate on the Interstate Commerce Bill, and also by his speech there on the black battalion.

A great man. He has convictions and the courage and ability to avow and sustain them.

## COMMENDABLE.

The Richmond, Va., Times-Dispatch took a highly commendable course in its dealing with "The Clansman." It emphasizes the fact that there is no friction between the better class of white people and the better class of colored ones. All attempts to stir up race strife by either the demagogues of the white race or those of the colored race should be discontinued by both.

## NOT ANY.

From the Richmond Planet.  
No, there will be no race war for the reason that there are numbers of influential Negroes, who would not enter into any conspiracy against the white folks, who would not enter into any conspiracy against the Negroes. When a colored man is a friend to a white one, he is a friend indeed, and when a white man is a friend to a colored one he has more than one way to emphasize this friendship.

## INTERNATIONAL LESSONS.

We are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the National Baptist Sunday school Lesson Commentary. It presents a most pleasing appearance and contains valuable information of the S. S. lessons for 1907. Great credit is reflected on Mr. R. H. Boyd, D.D., L.L.D., editor, Rev. W. S. Ellington, B.A., associate editor, and the National Baptist Publishing Board.

## ITEMS ON THE WING.

Flora Wolf, colored, known as Lady Flo, common-in-law wife of Lord Beresford, deceased, has set up a new claim, viz.: that she was his business partner. Many of the cattle on the ranch in Mexico bear her mark.

There is a movement on foot in Washington to organize an aid association for the blind.

Wm. T. Smith, white, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was arrested and sent to the workhouse for thirty days in default of \$30 fine for forming bogus Masonic lodges. The white brethren got behind him.

Mrs. Dr. Marris is a great help to her husband, Ill. L. H. Harris (Pilgrim) and M. D.

The town of Casey, Illinois, population 2,000, won't permit a negro to stay in town over night. Southern Pines, North Carolina, settled and owned by northern people, follows suit.

Henry O. Turner was awarded the N. W. Harris prize of \$500 at Philadelphia, Pa., for painting.

Alson S. Clark of Chicago, Ill., received \$100 for the same. Both are colored. There were 300 specimens.

The colored citizens of New Rochelle, New York, have organized a corporate business league with a capital of \$25,000. Incorporated under the Sattle of New York.

Chicago, Ill., has three colored theatres.

There are three drug stores in Brooklyn, N. Y., operated by the race. There are none in New York City.

The association for the protection of colored women will organize a National Organization with headquarters at Philadelphia, Pa. Branches will be established in the leading cities of the South.

Ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback is now residing with his family at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Negro cooks attended a masquerade ball given by society belles of Hyannis, Neb. When the time for unmasking came the chefs stood the crowd off with razors and escaped.

The white people are continually kicking about the wrong doings of the Negro. In the Thaw case shocking revelations are made to the public, showing how the Lord's anointed, or in other words, Creme-Ah-La-Creme, conduct their social affairs in the upper world, and it is claimed by the enemies of the race that the Negroes have no morals.

Congress will adjourn about March 4. Pitchfork Tillman is slated to tour the United States, we presume to assail the Negro, as usual.

The Bible contains 3,566,480 letters, 810,697 words, 31,173 verses, 1,189 chapters, and 66 books.

Our Saviour's father, Joseph, was both operative and speculative in craft work or Masonry.

Alexander King, colored, clerk at the Senator Foraker, the Negro's friend, is threatened with an attack of the grip.

The Masonic problem, like the Negro problem—a good many of us will descend six foot horizontal, six foot dot east and west before it will ever be settled in the United States. This being the case and there being so many factions of Masons among our people, all claiming to be the real thing and the others clandestine, bogus, etc., etc. Why not form, like in Germany, a confederation of grand lodges, or unite, and cease firing. There will be a time coming that the Negro Mason of the United States will regret not following this advice before it is too late.

Representative Slomp of Virginia called last week with W. H. C. Brown, colored, candidate for consulship at Guadalupe, upon the President, in his behalf. If the State Department has no objection the President has none, so he may be appointed.

Ill William C. Dennis, 33d degree, of the P. R. R. Dept., has taken another wife. Bro. Dennis is a prominent craftsman and Odd Fellow of the D. C.

"Mixed Races" at True Reformers' Hall.